



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service  
New England Field Office



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TO: New England Growers Associations, Farm Editors, Broadcasters, and Others

SUBJECT: Upcoming USDA Surveys

USDA will be conducting nationwide studies of the agricultural community during the next few months. Details of these surveys are enclosed and a schedule follows:

Survey Name	Sample Size (approx.)	Data Collection Period	Publication Date
July Cattle Survey	450	June – July, 2007	July 20, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.
Maine Wild Blueberry Survey	450	July, 2007	July 31, 2007 at 4:00 p.m.
Cranberry Survey	400	July - August, 2007	August 21, 2007 at 1:00 p.m.
Quarterly Labor Survey	300	July, 2007	August, 17, 2007, at 3:00 p.m.
Potato Objective Yield Survey	140	July - October, 2007	November 9, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.

We depend on the voluntary cooperation of farmers and other agricultural producers. Although some may feel their operation is too small to be included in these surveys, operations of all sizes (both full and part-time) are necessary to obtain an accurate picture of New England agriculture.

**Please help us inform New England farmers about the importance of these upcoming surveys in your meeting, publications or broadcasts.** A good response will ensure that New England is fully and properly represented in the official USDA statistics of American agriculture. I have enclosed press releases that you are invited to use. For further information, please contact the statistician mentioned on each enclosure, or give me a call at 1-800-642-9571.

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Enclosures